



## DPAC Meeting Minutes April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021 via Zoom

<b>Members Present:</b>	<b>Michelle McGrath</b>	<b>DPAC Chair and SSS Rep</b>
	<b>Diane Braun</b>	<b>DPAC Vice Chair</b>
	<b>Heather Attridge</b>	<b>DPAC Treasurer and ADR Rep</b>
	<b>Alicia Fleetham</b>	<b>DPAC BCCPAC Rep and LME</b>
	<b>Rep Meghan Reid</b>	<b>DPAC Member at Large</b>
	<b>Elizabeth Beacom</b>	<b>DPAC Member at Large</b>
	<b>Jennifer Roy</b>	<b>DPAC Rep Cheam Elementary</b>
	<b>Katie Bartel</b>	<b>DPAC Rep Leary Elementary</b>
	<b>Hollee Wark</b>	<b>DPAC Rep McCammon Elementary</b>
	<b>Jill Luesink</b>	<b>DPAC Rep Vedder Middle</b>
	<b>Anders Lunde</b>	<b>DPAC Rep Chilliwack Middle</b>
	<b>Stacie Floris</b>	<b>DPAC Rep Robertson Elementary</b>
	<b>Angela Wilkinson</b>	<b>DPAC Rep Vedder Elementary</b>
	<b>Sarah Featherstone</b>	<b>DPAC Rep Watson Elementary</b>
	<b>Kendy Michaloski</b>	<b>DPAC REP Sardis Elementary</b>
	<b>Lauren Mitchell</b>	<b>DPAC REP Rosedale Traditional</b>

**Trustee Liaison:**        **David Swankey**        **SD33 Trustee Liaison**

**Guests:**                **Sean Wicker, Principal**  
                              **Rebecca Sorgel, Parent**  
                              **Joe Massie, teacher at Sardis Secondary**

### **1. CALL TO ORDER – Zoom**

#### **1.1 Call to Order**

- Michelle McGrath, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:04pm
- Quorum of 10 voting members met with 16 DPAC members present

#### **1.2 Adoption of the Agenda**

- Adopted as circulated. Moved by Anders, Seconded by Katie

#### **1.3 Approval of the Minutes**

- Minutes from the February 25<sup>th</sup> meeting approved unanimously. Moved by Jill, Seconded by Anders

### **2. Special Presentation – Summer Learning, Principal Sean Wicker**

- Brochure will be available May 3 with registration opening that day around 3pm through the 3rd week of June.
- Mass email will go out.
- Posted on SD33 website, Summer Learning has its own tab.
- Teachers covering multiple courses.



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- Goal is to do everything in person.
- Admin will look at all registered students with IEPs, will see what each class needs, to figure out EA support.
- Elementary is built around 4 hours a day, over 2 weeks for a total of 40 hours. This could be a challenge for working parents.
- Trying to keep class size around 18, a manageable level.
- A teacher can refer a child but referral is not necessary.

**Sean Wicker and Joe Massie leave the meeting.**

### **3. REPORTS**

#### **Trustee Report – David Swankey**

- Michelle asks, how is consultation with the school community happening? That is a question for the board, David hesitates to speak for them. In regard to next steps, June 30th reporting deadline, Board has not taken steps. Best to email Willow to ensure community pieces are not dropped.
- Anders asks if the Board is relying on experts for the definition of Inclusion.
- Heather, is the board advocating the ministry for more funding? (bussing). David has brought forward two motions that have passed regarding special interest money for institutions, the other was related to Covid funding. There is more voice that the Board should be using for advocating for more funding to ensure student success and outcomes.
- Alicia asks about the BCSTA motion that went forward around Restraint and Seclusion. David asks if there is a question or looking for a summary. Summary. There was a motion that came from Langley School Board around eliminating restraint and seclusion. The discussion on the floor went many ways. What it touched upon was that nothing stops the board from bringing it up on their own, but boards like autonomy to decide things locally. It's difficult to have this conversation with over 60 boards represented. Attention and discussion around a topic which should be discussed. Alicia asks if this should be brought to the Inclusive Ed committee? David says there needs to be a place to review these discussions, board needs to be well informed, staff needs to be aware of outcomes, what is the role of the committee, which is in flux.

#### **Committee Reports**

- **Child and Youth Committee (CYC) – Diane Braun**
- Traverse- 8-person voluntary bed-based program for youth facing substance use and mental health concerns. Up to six months stay, daily outdoor nature-based programming, counselling and a support dog.
- Pump track presentation by the city. Largest paved pump track in North America. Hugely popular and hoping to expand.
- Human Early Learning Partnership and Early Years Subcommittee are presenting an Early Years Development Instrument Results Forum on May 6 from 9-11:30 am. Info posted on DPAC page.
- Nikki Halberg has moved on from the Healthy Schools Coordinator Position.



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- Family Smart Events: Help for the Hard Times – events for parents of children struggling with mental health concerns. Various dates in May/June 12-1 or 7-8pm.
- May 7<sup>th</sup> Conversations about Mental Illness: What is Sounds like at Different Ages, National Child and Youth Mental Health Day 12-1pm for families and Caregivers.
- From Alicia: CYC Middle Years 6-12 results survey will be circulated.

### **Chilliwack Healthier Community (CHC) – Jill Luesink**

- CHC stands for Chilliwack Healthier Community which is a network of local partners focused on affordable/accessible housing, mental health, addictions, poverty reduction, and cultural safety and humility. There is so much good happening in this network of non-profit organizations, government social services and the business community. Here is a sample: <http://www.chilliwackhealthiercommunity.ca/projects-1> and <http://www.chilliwackhealthiercommunity.ca/information-networking-breakfasts>
- Downtown Community Market: runs June 6-August 29/21 on Mill Street. It qualifies for the Nutrition Coupon Program which benefits lower-income families, pregnant people and seniors: <https://dccm.ca>
- Elements of Mental Wellness workshop series: 4 one-hour sessions on Zoom will take you through the Elements of Mental Wellness material. Tuesdays & Thursdays, May 18, 20, 25, 27th from 12 Noon - 1:00pm. FREE to anyone but you need to register and spaces are limited: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/elements-of-mental-wellness-tickets-151737630337>
- Frauds & Scams Interactive Webinar: hosted by the Chilliwack Financial Literacy Committee and presented by a member of the RCMP and a CPA. May 19th 7-8:30 PM. This is FREE to the public but registration is required: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/frauds-and-scams-dont-be-a-victim-tickets-151590163259>
- Tenants: many families are being notified by their landlords that their dwellings are being sold. Did you know you do not need to vacate your home unless the new owner will be residing in that home? Know your rights as tenants as described in the Residential Tenancy Act: [https://www.bclaws.gov.bc.ca/civix/document/id/complete/statreg/02078\\_01](https://www.bclaws.gov.bc.ca/civix/document/id/complete/statreg/02078_01)

### **Inclusive Education Committee – Alicia Fleetham**

- March 30, Apr 19 and 26 the committee met to review the Terms of Reference. Overall members requested it be changed to a working committee, enabling it to make recommendations directly to the district. Historically it has been presentation based with limited opportunity for members to provide feedback.
- Better language to detail the purpose and goals of the committee were also added.
- A larger membership to encompass a wider range of representation and more frequent meetings were also requested.
- A final proposal with all the changes will be brought forward to the board at the May 11th meeting.
- Parents who might be interested in participating in this committee next year please email Alicia at [bccpacrep@sd33.bc.ca](mailto:bccpacrep@sd33.bc.ca).



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### **Budget Committee – Heather Attridge**

- Lots of cuts coming, \$25 bus fee, 2 CPA community members on the committee, 3-year projection.

### **EPAC – Meghan Reid and Jessica Clarke**

- Nothing to report

### **BCCPAC Report – Alicia Fleetham**

- AGM May 1, PACs and DPACs will vote on resolutions, and elect the incoming board. Awards will also be presented along with a Presidents and Treasurers report. If your PAC is registered you were emailed all the info in the AGM booklet.
- May 1-7 is BC Youth week, unfortunately there are no events in Chilliwack but there are in Abbotsford and Mission. This could be something to ask the city of Chilliwack and CYC about participating in next year.
- Bike to school week May 31-June 4, you can register at [www.gobybikebc.ca](http://www.gobybikebc.ca)
- April 21 The government released the 2021-2024 Service plan, a link to the document is posted on the BCCPAC website, I will share it to our Facebook page as well.
- Goal 1: All Students Become Educated Citizens by 1. Supporting Student-Centered Learning and Improving Equity of Outcomes 2. Establishing and Maintaining High and Measurable Standards.
- Goal 2: Learning Environments Foster Healthy and Effective Learning by 1. Implementing High Yield Strategies to Support Student Growth and Achievement 2. Supporting Student and Staff Well-Being. Key strategies to achieving these goals and objectives can be found within the document.
- A Financial summary is also a component as well as an Appendix indicating as of April 6, 2021, the Minister of Education is responsible and accountable for the following: BC Teachers' Council, Disciplinary and Professional Conduct Board and the Independent School Teaching Certificate Standards Committee.
- April 21 the Annual BC Teachers Council report was provided to the Ministry. The document can be found on the BCCPAC website.

### **Treasurer's Report – Heather Attridge**

- Treasurer's Report gaming applications are now open, 8242 in gaming 1929 in general
- **MOTION:** That DPAC spend up to \$1,750.00 from the GAMING Account to send one delegate from each school to the BCCPAC Online Conference May 28<sup>th</sup> & May 29<sup>th</sup>
- Heather makes the motion, Anders seconds, motion passes unanimous. Will be brought back to PACs and posted on the DPAC page.

### **Chair's Report – Michelle McGrath**



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- Last week our DPAC Executive met to discuss our votes on the resolutions being presented at the upcoming BCCPAC AGM. In the interest of time, we will not be reviewing the resolutions this meeting, however if any of you have questions relating to the resolutions or would like to know how DPAC is voting on a specific resolution Diane and I can stay on at the end of the meeting to discuss with you.
- On Tuesday April 6<sup>th</sup> the Minister of Education released the finding of the Special Advisors appointed to evaluate the Board of Education. The minister has directed the board to take the following steps by Oct. 31, 2021:
  - review and revise its policies and codes of conduct for students to ensure they promote a safe, welcoming and inclusive school environment;
  - establish a plan for enhancing student achievement, with a focus on inclusive education, children and youth in care, and Indigenous students;
  - develop a policy regarding inclusive board practices after considering input from the school community;
  - review and revise its Code of Ethics for Trustees after obtaining and considering input from the school community;
  - work with the Office of the Human Rights Commissioner to arrange and participate in training; and
  - collaborate with local First Nations to develop policies and procedures that allow for meaningful engagement with Indigenous community members.
- To demonstrate progress on these expectations, the board will submit reports on June 30 and Oct. 31, 2021, updating the minister on the status of addressing her concerns.
- McKay, who has served in multiple roles in B.C.'s education sector including as principal, superintendent, official trustee and special advisor, will continue in his role as advisor to support the board and evaluate its progress in meeting the expectations the minister has set.

### **4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **4.1 Amendment to DPAC Constitution & Bylaws (Voting Privileges)**

- At February's meeting we had presented two options. One vote per DPAC Executive member and one vote for the DPAC as a whole. Did anyone have an opportunity to discuss with their schools?
- Will go back to PACS again with further clarification.

### **5. NEW BUSINESS**

- Nominations Committee for May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021 DPAC AGM
- Contact Michelle if you would like to be a part of it

### **6. Date of Next Meeting**

- DPAC Annual General Meeting May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021, 7:00 pm via Zoom

### **7. ADJOURNMENT**



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The meeting was adjourned at 8:52 pm

*Meghan Reid*

DPAC Member at Large

